

The original documents are located in Box C52, folder “Presidential Handwriting, 12/3/1976” of the Presidential Handwriting File at the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.

Copyright Notice

The copyright law of the United States (Title 17, United States Code) governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material. Gerald Ford donated to the United States of America his copyrights in all of his unpublished writings in National Archives collections. Works prepared by U.S. Government employees as part of their official duties are in the public domain. The copyrights to materials written by other individuals or organizations are presumed to remain with them. If you think any of the information displayed in the PDF is subject to a valid copyright claim, please contact the Gerald R. Ford Presidential Library.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

December 3, 1976

Dear Rod:

I want to send this personal note of thanks for all that you did to help in the campaign.

While the election outcome was a disappointment, there is no question that we put up a tremendous fight and we can indeed be proud of our efforts. The dedication of friends like you made it possible for us to offer a real challenge, and I am grateful for your support.

Long after the hard work and hurried pace of these past weeks are forgotten, I will remember the generous encouragement and goodwill which were extended to my entire family by so many good friends. It has been a tremendous honor to serve the people of our great country, and I will never forget this wonderful privilege.

Betty and I thank you from our hearts for your friendship, and we send you our warmest good wishes for the future.

Sincerely,

Jerry Ford

Mr. Rod McKuen
1155 Angelo Drive
Beverly Hills, California 90210

*P.S. Look forward to
seeing you the 6th.*